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1. On 18 October 1946 newspapers reported that some fishing cutters were to be sold to Uruguay. Those concerned were the EVA MACH and the FLEMMING, both of about forty tons. However, when the FLEMMING ran aground and was badly damaged at the end of October or beginning of November, it was decided that the cutter INGE PULTZ should replace her.
2. The cutters were to be sold through Mr. Otto L. E. Danielsen, owner of an office where tonnage is sold at Ny Toldbodgade 5 (presumably in Copenhagen). The Uruguay Government was to pay 240,000 Kr. for each cutter and the entire sum was to be paid to the National Bank of Denmark in American dollars. The Danish crews that were to sail the cutters to South America were to be paid about 40,000 Kr..
3. The Danish authorities thought it likely that unauthorized persons would attempt to use these cutters as a means to escape to South America. The matter was turned over to the criminal police of Esbjerg. The police handled the affairs in such a way that the crews learned of the suspicion that existed. The authorities were very strict in their examination of everything concerning the cutters and the day of departure was postponed more than once.
4. On 30 November the British Naval Attache was informed that the cutters were scheduled to leave Esbjerg on 1 December. Security matters relating to the crews prevented the departure, however. The cutters still remain at Esbjerg.
5. About 7 December newspapers reported erroneously that the cutters had left Esbjerg about 1 December and that they were to be stopped in the Channel by the British and subjected to a thorough search.
6. According to the latest available information, the cutters are not to be sold to Uruguay. The Russians are very much interested in them.

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